

## **Culburra Beach Progress Association Inc.**

Minutes for monthly meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017

Banksia Community Hall, Fred Evens Lane, Culburra Beach 2540

Meeting started at 7.05pm

Apologies as per book

Welcome to Councillor Joanna Gash and Mrs Karen Knowles

Minutes from last meeting: Mvd: Roy Cobcroft Sec: Ray Sutton

### **Business arising from the previous minutes:**

- Akan Pendleton asked about the Men's Shed. He said that a letter should be written to Council asking for reimbursement of the \$6,500.00 extra that had to be spent redoing the disabled toilet.
- Alex McNeilly said he would like to amend a statement in the last minutes re the skate park. He said it was misquoted that they were raising funds for the exercise area. It was in fact that they were in the process of getting quotes.

### **Correspondence In**

- **Shoalhaven City Council** – Notice of proposed licence. Placement of 40-foot container West Street.
- **Shoalhaven City Council** – Outcome of Mayors and General Managers visit
- **Culburra Beach & Districts Community Health Service** – Thank you letter for article printed in the Bugle.
- **Culburra Beach Chamber of Commerce** – Minutes of meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017
- **Culburra Beach Chamber of Commerce** – Presidents Report
- **Culburra Beach Chamber of Commerce** – List of positions on Chamber of Commerce
- **Curleys Bay Recreational Community Park Project** – August 2017 Report

### **Business Arising from the Correspondence:**

- Alan Pendleton wanted to know the progress with the Occupancy Certificate re the Men's Shed. Bob Shimmen said that there had been five separate inspections by five different inspectors. We now finally have our occupancy certificate.

Before we continued with the meeting Bob introduced Karen Knowles to the meeting to talk about the scheme with the Boomerang Bags. This is a scheme to replace the one-use plastic bags. These are cloth bags which can be used and then returned to a central point. The screen-printed logo remains the property of the Main Group on the Gold Coast. She said that the local motel plans to place one of these bags in each of their rooms. Karen suggested that maybe she could come to the next markets and set up her stall as a promotion. The meeting was in agreement with this suggestion. Alan Liebert said that he believed that the major supermarket chains were going to start to phase out the plastic bags. He asked if Woolworths at Culburra Beach had been approached re these cloth bags. Karen replied that they hadn't been yet but there was a plan to approach them soon.

## Reports:

- **Treasurer**- The bank balance as at the 31<sup>st</sup> July was \$25,062.00. There was no report on Market monies as the markets had not been held yet.
- **Market Co-ordinator** – No report. Markets will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> August 2017.
- **Bugle** – The new issue has been distributed.
- **Chamber of Commerce** – Their AGM was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017. Below is a list of the new office bearers: President: Brian Muller, Vice President: Lawrie Nash, Secretary: Neil Wallace, Treasurer: Neil Wallace, Public Officer: Phil Holloway. Brian Muller will not be available for the next couple of weeks. They are looking at reproducing the Business Directory. They are also doing another membership drive.
- **Men's Shed** – We now have our Occupancy Certificate. There will be a meeting at the shed arranged before the end of August so that we can get expressions of interest from those people interested going on the committee. This will be advertised on 2ST, in the Nowra News and a notice will be placed on the Public Noticeboard. There was a query regarding noise restrictions. Bob said that the way the shed was designed was so that the machinery would be on the opposite side of the shed to the IRT. A hedge between the IRT and the shed had been discussed with IRT.
- **Skate Park** - Amendments have been made to the masterplan. The BBQ area will be moved to the left of the park. Infants area has been enlarged to accommodate a three-swing swing set. Exercise area will sit at the right-hand side of the Skate Park. Two rubbish bins have been installed and these will be emptied twice a week. Alan Pendleton asked if safety signs had been placed the Skate Park. He was informed that they had. He also asked about spot checks. Alex said that there are six people that keep an eye on it. Parking concerns were raised. There is an application in for line marking from the bubbler down to Brighton Parade. There is a need to parking on the other side of the road. Joanna Gash suggested that maybe the island could be removed. She also asked about lighting at the Park. Alex said that there were no plans to put lighting at the Park. They want to try and discourage the use of the park at night. Ken O'Day asked if there could be signage placed showing the speed limit is 40klm near the Skate Park. Alex asked if he could take that on notice.
- **Doggy Do-Do Bags** – There was a concern that the original quote of \$1,000.00 had now gone to \$2,543.66. The five areas where these would be placed are: - Ocean St beach access, Crookhaven Lookout, The Mall beach entrance, Park Row beach entrance and Tilbury Cove near BBQ area. Lake Wollumboola is part of the National Park and therefore there are no off-leash areas there. Alan Pendleton asked why Council in not helping with the cost of this endeavour. He was informed that Council had been approached and we were informed that it is not in their policies. Robin raised a concern regarding vandalism to these. Councillor Gash said it is impossible for Council to patrol all beaches in the Shoalhaven especially during the Summer months. It was decided to go ahead with the purchase of these.

## General Business

1. Ken O'Day said that the disabled signs in the shopping centre need to be redone.
2. Alan Pendleton raised that a request that a letter be sent to Council regarding reimbursement of the \$6,500.0 it had cost for us to redo the disabled toilet to council's satisfaction.
3. Alan Liebert spoke regarding Beach accesses. He said that there had been some work done at Mowbray Road. He said that he put a proposal in to Council re Ocean Street car park. He said that nothing had been done. He had been told that it was in the works program for this year.
4. Anne Hollis-Coates asked if the land that was marked for the motocross was privately owned. She was informed that it was not.
5. Alan Pendleton asked if the footpath is going to be cleaned when they have finished mowing of all the drainage areas.
6. Bob Shimmen raised a query once again re Tilbury Cove. When they had their meeting with the Mayor and the General Manager they were told that the hedge would be moved between the car park and the children's play area to give better vision to it. This still had not been done. Another letter will be sent to the General Manager regarding this. Councillor Gash said she would pursue this.
7. Councillor Gash apologised for not always being at all meetings. She said she has taken on board all our concerns about work not being done at Culburra Beach. She said that there have been many changes of staff and it is taking a while for it all to settle down. She said that some of the staff employed were hampered as they did not have local knowledge. The old garage has been sold. It will have shops underneath and accommodation on top.
8. Bob Shimmen raised a point regarding the area behind the shops where the public toilet is. He said that he thought that this area had once been earmarked for Over 55's housing. Councillor Gash said she doubted if this would happen.
9. Alan Pendleton asked about the track to the Lighthouse. He was told that Council had no plans to do any work on the track at this stage.
10. Ken O'Day raised a concern about women attending the Men's Shed. He said it is called a Men's Shed that a Men and Women's shed. When a committee is formed this will be one of the issues raised.
11. Steve Glennon raised a query regarding the acknowledgement to country that was put aside until this meeting. Bob said that he made statement regarding this at the last meeting. Bob Shimmed as asked that the motion that was put forward at the last meeting regarding the acknowledgement to country should be discussed. Seconded Steve Glennon. Ayes had it. There was a discussion regarding this and a motion was put saying that this proposal should be put to

another vote. Seconded Bob Shimmen. A vote was taken and the proposal was defeated eight to ten

12. Steve Glennon asked if letters could be written Shelley Hancock and Gareth Ward re a railing and a path at the Crookhaven Boat Ramp. This would be from the toilets to the wooden ramp.

**Correspondence out:**

- Letter to Council re Inviting the Mayor and the General Manager to our next meeting
- Letter to Shelley Hancock re railing and pathway at Crookhaven Boat Ramp
- Letter to Gareth Ward re railing and pathway at Crookhaven Boat Ramp
- Letter to General Manager at Council re Tilbury Cove

**Meeting closed at 8.55 pm**